Illinois Customer Satisfaction Survey Instrument

QA. ENTER TYPE OF CUSTOMER FROM SAMPLE 1 Residential 2 Non-Residential QB. **ENTER SAMPLING FRAME** 1 Customer database 2 Random digit dial ("RDD") 3 Purchased list Other **Residential Portion** Hello, my name is _____. We are conducting an opinion survey required by the Illinois Public Utilities Act about the service you receive from your electric company. May I speak with the head of household who is most familiar with the service from your electric

- 1 Yes {CONTINUE}
- 2 No {TERMINATE}
- 3 Refused {TERMINATE}

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company?

Your opinions are very important to us. At no time will I try to sell you anything and you will not be contacted as a result of this call. This survey will take about ten minutes.

IF USING RDD SAMPLE, ASK QC SO CUSTOMER CAN BE ASSIGNED TO A SERVICE AREA

QC. What is your zip code?

[RECORD NUMBER]

1 Don't know/Refused

{TERMINATE}

IF USING CUSTOMER LIST FOR SAMPLE, ASK QD TO VERIFY ADDRESS

- QD. Just to confirm, have I reached you at {READ ADDRESS FROM SAMPLE}?
 - 1 Yes {CONTINUE}
 - 2 No {TERMINATE}
 - 3 Don't know {TERMINATE}
 - 4 Refused {TERMINATE}
- QE. Are you the person who is most familiar with the service you receive from your electric company at this address?
 - 1 Yes {SKIP TO QG}
 - 2 No {CONTINUE }
 - 3 Don't know {TERMINATE}
 - 4 Refused {TERMINATE}
- QF. May I speak to the person who is most familiar with your electric service now?
 - 1 Yes (CONTINUE)
 - 2 Refused {TERMINATE}
 - No IF NO, ASK: I would like to make an appointment to call him/her at a specific time at his/her convenience. Could we please schedule a convenient time? {ARRANGE APPOINTMENT CALLBACK DATE AND TIME}

(IF NECESSARY, READ INTRODUCTION TO RESPONDENT)

Hello, we are conducting an opinion survey required by the Illinois Public Utilities Act about the service you receive from your electric company. Your opinions are very important to us. At no time will I try to sell you anything and you will not be contacted as a result of this survey. The survey will take about ten minutes.

- QG. We would like to ask you some questions about the electric service you receive from your electric distribution (insert the word "distribution" for non-residential only) company. Is this a convenient time?
 - 1 Yes {CONTINUE }
 - 2 No {ARRANGE APPOINTMENT CALLBACK DATE AND TIME}
 - 3 Don't know {TERMINATE}
 - 4 Refused {TERMINATE}
- QH. Do you, or does a member of your family living in your home, work for an advertising agency or market research firm, or for a gas, electric or phone company?
 - 1 Yes {TERMINATE}
 - 2 No {CONTINUE}
 - 3 Don't know {TERMINATE}
 - 4 Refused {TERMINATE}

END OF RESIDENTIAL SCREENING PORTION

Non-Residential Portion		
		We are conducting an opinion survey required by the Act about the service you receive from your electric company.
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QI.	Just to verify, I	have I reached (MOVE IN COMPANY NAME FROM SAMPLE)?
	1	No {CONTINUE} {TERMINATE}
	2	Yes {TERMINATE} {CONTINUE}
l	3	Don't know {TERMINATE}
	4	Refused {TERMINATE}
QJ.	that the name	OT PERSON'S NAME HAS BEEN PROVIDED, ASK) I understand of the person who is most familiar with the reliability of electric service zation is Is this correct?
	1	Yes {SKIP TO QM}
	2	No {CONTINUE}
	3	Don't know {TERMINATE}
1	4	Refused {TERMINATE}
QK.	(IF A CONTAC	CT PERSON'S NAME HAS NOT BEEN PROVIDED OR IF QJ=2,
		u please tell me the name of the person who is most familiar with the
		vice for this business/organization located at (MOVE IN ADDRESS
		LE)? (IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS "DON'T KNOW," THEN ASK TO SOMEONE WHO MIGHT KNOW AND USE THE SAME
		ON WITH THE NEW RESPONDENT)
	NAME	
	TITLE	

QL. May I speak to (RESTORE NAME FROM QJ OR QK) now? 1 Yes { CONTINUE} 2 Refused {TERMINATE} 3 No (IF RESPONDENT NOT AVAILABLE, ASK:) I would like to make an appointment to call (RESTORE NAME FROM QJ OR QK) at a specific time at his/her convenience. Could we please schedule a convenient time? (IF NECESSARY, READ INTRODUCTION TO RESPONDENT) Hello, I am _______. We are conducting an opinion survey required by the Illinois Public Utilities Act about the service you receive from your electric company. Your

opinions are very important to us. At no time will I try to sell you anything and you will not

be contacted as a result of this survey. The survey will take only ten minutes.

- QM. We would like to ask you some questions about the electric service your (business/organization) receives from your electric distribution company. Is this a convenient time?
 - 1 Yes { CONTINUE}
 - 2 Refused {TERMINATE}
 - 3 No {ARRANGE APPOINTMENT CALLBACK DATE AND TIME}

END OF NON-RESIDENTIAL SCREENING PORTION

Residential and Non-Residential Portion

(READ FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL ONLY UNTIL RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS HAVE CHOICE; THEN READ FOR ALL CUSTOMERS) As you may be aware, electricity Electric service consists of two main parts components. One part produces component is actually producing electricity at power plants. The other part moves component is moving the electricity through power lines to your location from the power plants to your business. Under a competitive electric system, the electricity will come to you through the power lines already in place still get to your business through the existing power lines. The company that owns and maintains these power lines is called an electricity distribution company. It's your opinions about the electric distribution company we'd like to focus on today.

QN. What is the name of your electric (insert the word "distribution" for non-residential only) company? (ASK AS OPEN END)

- 1 AmerenCIPS/CIPS/Central Illinois Public Service (CONTINUE)
- 2 AmerenUE/Union Electric (CONTINUE)
- 3 CILCO/Central Illinois Light Company (CONTINUE)
- 4 ComEd/Commonwealth Edison (CONTINUE)
- 5 Illinois Power/DynegyIllinova (CONTINUE)
- 6 MidAmerican Energy/Iowa-Illinois Gas & Electric (CONTINUE)
- 7 Mt. Carmel Public Utility Company (CONTINUE)
- 8 Other {TERMINATE}
- 9 Don't know {TERMINATE}
- 10 Refused {TERMINATE}

END OF RESIDENTIAL AND NON-RESIDENTIAL SCREENING

Overall Satisfaction

First, let's talk about (RESTORE QN RESPONSE). I'd like you to rate (RESTORE QN RESPONSE)'s performance using a zero to ten scale, where a zero means a poor job and a ten means an excellent job. Of course, you can use any number between zero and ten. How would you rate the job that (RESTORE QN RESPONSE) does on...

(RANDOMIZE Q1-Q3)

Q1.	Providing	electric	service	overall
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[RECORD NUMBER 0-10]

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Q2. Providing reliable electric service

[RECORD NUMBER 0-10]

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Q3. Keeping your electric rates reasonable

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Reliability Performance

Now I'd like you to rate {RESTORE QN RESPONSE}'s performance, using the same zero to ten scale, <u>(SHORTEN DESCRIPTION OF SCALE IF APPROPRIATE)</u> where a zero means a poor job and a ten means an excellent. to talk to you about {RESTORE QN RESONSE}'s performance on electric reliability. How would you rate the job that {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} does on...

Q4. Keeping the electric system, including power lines and equipment, in good working order

[RECORD NUMBER 0-10]

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Q5. Minimizing the number of power interruptions lasting <u>LESS</u>less than one minute

[RECORD NUMBER 0-10]

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Q6. In the past twelve months, how many times has there been a power interruption lasting LESS than one minute at this residence/business? (PROBE FOR BEST ESTIMATE)

[RECORD NUMBER OF TIMES 1-996]

- 0 No times/Did not lose power
- 997 997 times or more
- 998 Don't know 999 Refused

Q7. How would you rate the job that {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} does on minimizing the number of power outages lasting MORElonger than one minute?

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Q8. In the past twelve months, how many times has there been a power outage lasting MOREmore than one minute at this residence/business? (PROBE FOR BEST ESTIMATE)

[RECORD NUMBER OF TIMES 1-996]

0 No times/Did not lose power

997 997 times or more

998 Don't know 999 Refused

{IF Q8=0, GO TO Q13}

Q9. When was ... (if Q8=1, ask) this outage? ... (if Q8=2-997 is greater than one, ask) your most recent outage? (TRANSLATE RESPONSE INTO NUMBER OF MONTHS)

[RECORD NUMBER OF MONTHS FROM 1-12]

- 0 No months
- 13 Over a year ago
- 14 Don't know
- 15 Refused

Q10. How long did this outage last?

[RECORD NUMBER OF DAYS FROM 1-96]

- 0 No days
- 97 97 or more days
- 98 Don't know
- 99 Refused

[RECORD NUMBER OF HOURS FROM 1-23]

0 No hours

[RECORD NUMBER OF MINUTES FROM 1-59]

0 No minutes

{IF Q8 = 2-997, ASK Q11-12 IF Q8=1, GO TO Q13}

Q11. How long did was the SHORTEST of these outages last over one minute? (the shortest of the outages of MORE THAN one minute)

	shortest of the outages of MORE THAN one minute)		
	0 97 98 99	[RECORD NUMBER OF DAYS FROM 1-96] No days 97 or more days Don't know Refused	
	0	[RECORD NUMBER OF HOURS FROM 1-23] No hours	
	0	[RECORD NUMBER OF MINUTES FROM 1-59] No minutes	
Q12. And how long did the LONGEST of these outages last?			
	0 97 98 99	[RECORD NUMBER OF DAYS FROM 1-96] No days 97 or more days Don't know Refused	
	0	[RECORD NUMBER OF HOURS FROM 1-23] No hours	
		[RECORD NUMBER OF MINUTES FROM 1-59]	

Q13. In the last twelve months, have you/has your business experienced any loss or damage due to electrical outages or other electrical problems?

1 Yes

0

2 No

3 Don't know

4 Refused

If Q13=1, ask Q14. If Q 13=2, 3 or 4, skip to Q15)

No minutes

Q14.	What sort of loss of/or-damage to electrical equipment or accessories did you
	suffer? (INTERVIEWER SHOULD NOT READ CHOICES AND SHOULD ACCEPT
	MULTIPLE RESPONSESSELECT MOST APPROPRIATE CATEGORY.)

1	Loss of	perishables
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2 Loss of electrical equipment or

accessories

- 3 Interruption of business
- 4 Injury to self or another person
- 5 Other
- 998 Don't know
- 999 Refused

Customer Service Performance

Once again I'd like you to rate {RESTORE QN RESPONSE}'s performance, using the same zero to ten scale, where a zero means a poor job and a ten means an excellent. (RANDOMIZE Q15-Q17)

Q15. Restoring electric service at your residence/business when outages occur

[RECORD NUMBER 0-10]

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Q16. Providing information about extended outages

[RECORD NUMBER 0-10]

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Q17. Being accessible during an outage

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

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Q18.	On a related topic, in the past 12 months, have you tried to reach {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} by phone?	
	1	Yes
	2	No
	3	Don't know
	4	Refused
{IF Q	18=1, ASK Q19;	OTHERWISE GO TO INTRODUCTION BEFORE Q22}
Q19.		reason for your most recent call? (NOT READ - INTERVIEWER TO T APPROPRIATE CATEGORY)
	1	To report a power problem, outage, or downed wire
	2	To stop, start or transfer service
	3	To make a payment arrangement or other billing question
	4	To get information about locations, programs or services
	5	Other
	6	Refused
Q20.	, ,	ete your call through an automated telephone response system or customer service representative or both? (Thinking about your most
	1	ATRS only
	2	CSR only
	3	Both
	4	Don't know
	5	Refused

{IF Q20=1, 2 or 3 ASK Q21; OTHERWISE GO TO Q22}

Q21. On a scale of zero to ten, <u>(SHORTEN DESCRIPTION OF SCALE IF APPROPRIATE)</u> where a zero means a poor job and a ten means an excellent job, please rate the how well (RESTORE QN RESPONSE) met your needs during this phone call.

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Understanding of Services

Next, I'm going to read you a list of services that {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} may or may not provide. As I read each one, please tell me <u>if you are familiar, somewhat familiar, or not at all familiar with {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} providing these services. if you are aware how familiar you are with {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} provides providing these that services or not. On a scale of 1-5 where 5 means very familiar and 1 means not familiar.</u>

{RANDOMIZE Q22-Q256}

Q22. Has a toll-free number to report power outages. (Are you aware they provide this?)

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Yes [RECORD NUMBER 1-5]
No
Ton't know Refused
Refused
Very familiar
Somewhat familiar
Not at all familiar
Refused
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Q23. Is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by phone in the event of a power outage. (Are you aware they provide this?)

1 2 <u>6</u> 3 <u>7</u> 4	Yes [RECORD NUMBER 1-5] No Don't know <u>Refused</u> Refused
<u>1</u>	Very familiar
<u>2</u>	Somewhat familiar
<u>3</u>	Not at all familiar
<u>4</u>	<u>Refused</u>

Q24. Reports information about extended power outages to the news media to keep customers informed. (Are you aware they provide this?)

4	Yes [RECORD NUMBER 1-5]
2.6	No

- 2 <u>6</u> No
- 3-7 Don't know Refused
- 4 Refused
- <u>1</u> <u>Very familiar</u>
- Somewhat familiar
- 3 Not at all familiar
- 4 Refused

Q2<u>6</u>5. Trims trees to reduce the occurrence of power outages. (Are you aware they provide this?)

- 4 Yes [RECORD NUMBER 1-5]
- 2 <u>6</u>
- 3 7 Don't know Refused
- 4 Refused
- <u>1</u> <u>Very familiar</u>
- 2 Somewhat familiar
- 3 Not at all familiar
- 4 Refused

Q2<u>5</u>6. Offers different bill payment options to qualified customers, such as paying a fixed monthly amount and selecting your preferred due date. (Are you aware they provide this?)

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- 26 No
- 3 7 Don't know Refused
- 4 Refused
- <u>1</u> <u>Very familiar</u>
- Somewhat familiar
- 3 Not at all familiar
- <u>4</u> Refused

Tree Trimming Performance

{IF Q26=3 or 4, SKIP TO Q30} Now, I'd like to ask you to rate the tree trimming done by {RESTORE QN RESPONSE}. Please use the same zero-to-ten scale, (SHORTEN DESCRIPTION OF SCALE IF APPROPRIATE) where a zero means a poor job overall and a ten means an excellent job overall. How would you rate the job that {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} does on...

{RANDOMIZE Q27-29}

Q27. Trimming trees and clearing branches away from power lines to reduce the occurrence of power outages?

[RECORD NUMBER 0-10]

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused
- Q28. Communicating the need for trimming trees?

[RECORD NUMBER 0-10]

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused
- Q29. Trying hard to preserve Preserving the appearance of the trees they trim?

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Understanding of Prices

Q30. {RESTORE QN RESPONSE}, provides several services to reduce the number and duration of power outages, such as repairing and replacing electrical system equipment, sending work crews to restore power, and trimming trees. Are you aware that {RESTORE QN RESPONSE}'s costs to provide these services are reflected in the price you pay for electric service?

- 4 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know
- 4 Refused

Billing

Now I'd like to talk about your impressions of {RESTORE QN RESPONSE}'s billing.

Q3<u>0</u>4. (Do you/Does your business) receive a bill from {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} at this address location?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know
- 4 Refused

{IF Q304=1, ASK Q312; OTHERWISE GO TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q334}

Q312. Do you personally see or handle this bill?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Don't know
- 4 Refused

{IF Q 312=1, ASK Q323; OTHERWISE GO TO INTRODUCTION BEFORE Q334}

Q323. Thinking about the bills that (you receive/your business receives) from {RESTORE QN RESPONSE}, using a zero-to-ten scale, how would you rate {RESTORE QN RESPONSE} on providing a bill that makes it easy to tell how much the current month's charges are?

- 11 Don't know
- 12 Refused

Demographics and Firmographics

Now, I'd like to ask you a few questions to help group your answers with those of others taking part in this survey.

(IF RESIDENTIAL PORTION, ASK Q334-Q37 and Q39. NON-RESIDENTIAL GO TO Q387.)

Q334. What year were you born?

[RECORD 1870 to current year minus 18]

1868 Don't know 1869 Refused

Q345. Do you own or rent your residence?

- Own/Buying
- 2 Rent
- 3 Don't know
- 4 Refused

Q35. How many years have you lived at your current address?

[RECORD NUMBER OF YEARS FROM 1-99]

- <u>1</u> <u>2</u> <1
- Don't know
- Refused
- Q36. Lam going to read several income categories. Please stop me when I read what your TOTAL FAMILY INCOME was in the last year before taxes (and including Social Security or other payments) Into which of the following broad categories does your (STATE MOST RECENT TAXPREVIOUS YEAR) total pre-tax household income from all sources fall? Would you say (READ CODES 1-4)
 - 1 Up to \$25,000 (\$24,999)
 - 2 \$25,000 to \$50,000 (\$49,999)
 - \$50,000 to\$75,000 (\$74,999) 3
 - 4 \$75,000 or more
 - 5 Don't know
 - 6 Refused

Q37. Lam going to read several categories of the number of people in your household.

Please stop me when I read the total number of people in your household. (READ CODES 1-5) Including yourself, how many people live in your household? {SELECT MOST APPROPRIATE CODE 1-7}

1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5 or more
6	Don't know
7	Refused

Q38. Including yourself, how many employees, both full and part time, do you employ at this location? (READ CODES 1-4)

1	1 to 4 employees
2	5 to 25 employees
3	26 to 100 employees
4	Over 100 employees
5	Don't know
6	Refused

Q39. How many years have you conducted business at this location?

[RECORD NUMBER OF YEARS FROM 1-99]

- <u>1</u> <1
- <u>2</u> <u>Don't know</u>
- 3 Refused

Q4039. ENTER GENDER (BY OBSERVATION)

- 1 Male
- 2 Female
- 3 Don't know

Thank you for your time.